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SUBJECT: DHEW/NIH/SFCP - US-INDIA COLLABORATIVE STUDIES
ON FILARIASIS - OFFICIAL TRAVEL OF DR. ERIC OTTESEN

PASS TO ACTING SCIATT TERESITA SCHAFFER

1. DR. ERIC A. OTTESEN, LABORATORY OF PARASITIC DISEASES,
NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF ALLERGY AND INFECTIOUS DISEASES,
NIH, PLANS TRAVEL TO INDIA REGARDING PLANS FOR ON-GOING
JOINT PROJECT BETWEEN NIH AND THE INDIAN COUNCIL ON
MEDICAL RESEARCH DEALING WITH THE "IMMUNOLOGICAL AND
CLINICAL ASPECTS OF HUMAN FILARIASIS." THE PURPOSE OF HIS
VISIT IS 1) TO MEET WITH DR. S.P. TRIPATHY, DIRECTOR, AND
OTHERS AT THE TUBERCULOSIS CHEMOTHERAPY CENTER, MADRAS, TO
DISCUSS AND TIE TOGETHER RESULTS OF PROJECTS CARRIED OUT
DURING THE PAST YEAR, 2) REFURBISH THE ICMR'S SUPPLY OF
FILARIAL ANTIGENS PRODUCED AT NIH, 3) PLAN ADDITIONAL
STUDIES TO EXTEND OBSERVATIONS MADE DURING PAST YEAR, AND
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4) CREATE SOME DIRECT CHANNEL THROUGH WHICH FROZEN ANTIGEN
PREPARATIONS CAN BE RELIABLY SENT TO INDIAN COLLABORATORS.

2. DR. OTTESEN'S ETA NEW DELHI JANUARY 31 VIA PA 2 AT
0130. ETD DELHI FOR MADRAS FEBRUARY 1 VIA IC 540 AT 1845
WITH ETA MADRAS AT 2110. ETD MADRAS FOR DELHI FEBRUARY 16

VIA IC 440 AT 1830 WITH ETA DELHI AT 2150. ETD DELHI
FEBRUARY 17 AT 0500 ON PA 1.

3. ON PLANE WITH DR. OTTESEN IN CARGO SECTION WILL BE
PACKAGE ADDRESSED TO SCIATT CONTAINING NEEDED CHEMICALS.
EMBASSY REQUESTED SEND SOMEONE TO MEET PLANE AND CLEAR
PACKAGE THROUGH CUSTOMS. DR. OTTESEN WISHES TO CARRY THESE
CHEMICALS WITH HIM TO MADRAS.

4. EMBASSY REQUESTED MAKE HOTEL RESERVATION IN DELHI FOR
JANUARY 30-31 AND FEBRUARY 16, AND FOR MADRAS FEBRUARY 1-
15 INCLUSIVE. EMBASSY REQUESTED ADVISE ICMR AND DR.
TRIPATHY OF PLANS.

5. USDO AUTHORIZED ADVANCE PERDIEM AND \$50.00 FOR MIS-
CELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

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